

REMARKS

FORMAL MATTERS:

Claims 1-2, 4, 6, 8-11, 15, and 19-30 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein.

Claims 3, 5, 7, 12-14, and 16-18 are canceled without prejudice.

Claims 1, 10, and 15 are amended. Support for these amendments is found in the specification at, for example, page 9, paragraph [0036]; page 18, paragraphs [0078] and [0079], and Claim 3 as originally filed. Accordingly, Claim 3 is canceled.

No new matter is added.

REJECTIONS UNDER §103(A)

Claims 1-2, 4, 6, 8-11, 15, and 19-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Stiefel et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,656,509) in view of Lemelson (U.S. Patent No. 4,665,897) and Gorun (U.S. Patent No. 6,511,971). The Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Without any intention to acquiesce to the correctness of this rejection and solely to expedite prosecution, independent Claims 1, 10, and 15 are amended to include the element of Claim 3. The Examiner indicated that Claim 3 is allowable (see Office Action dated March 3, 2010, page 2). Accordingly, Claims 1, 10, and 15 amended to include the element of Claim 3, i.e., administering radiation therapy to the subject *after* administering the iSe compound, are also allowable.

In view of the amendment to the claims and the foregoing discussion, the rejection of Claims 1-2, 4, 6, 8-11, 15, and 19-30 under §103(a) may be withdrawn. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that all of the claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone Carol Francis at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number STAN-333.

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